



DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA AUGUST 1986

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8. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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PRODUCTION

Month	Iron ore (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mil. kWh		Gas (c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 750 W '000		Month	Coal (e) '000 tonnes
			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1984-85—															1984-85—	
May		45.6	10,580	10,096	41,020	37,494	549	524	529	493	38.9	33.3	182	194	June	11,937
June	23,850	38.8	10,899	10,127	44,350	38,885	544	544	480	480	37.4	36.9	169	182		
1985-86—															1985-86—	
July		45.4	11,683	9,970	49,864	39,824	599	545	514	491	44.4	36.8	190	180	Four weeks ended(?)	
August		45.6	11,275	10,267	47,894	42,537	583	557	594	543	42.5	35.9	190	163	July 27	12,998
September	28,609	43.2	10,201	10,225	44,821	41,899	582	591	523	512	38.1	35.1	193	170	August 24	12,930
October		42.6	10,210	10,272	43,559	43,074	589	590	570	531	42.1	35.8	222	176	September 21	11,626
November		38.0	9,725	10,289	38,917	41,232	578	606	517	483	34.5	32.5	195	165	October 19	11,986
December	22,554	38.1	9,698	10,432	35,237	41,674	561	561	457	473	25.6	29.9	154	162	November 16	12,658
January		34.4	9,846	10,536	33,473	41,714	592	589	336	500	12.9	36.9	91	188	December 14	13,217
February		38.8	9,407	10,538	36,321	42,435	504	565	503	518	30.0	31.9	153	156	January 11	11,385
March	23,910	40.6	10,265	10,539	40,007	42,332	545	536	508	508	31.5	31.4	124	140	February 8	11,902
April		39.0	9,970	10,516	43,516	47,467	547	581	516	527	25.2	27.8	147	149	March 5	9,850
May		40.7	10,801	10,414	48,382	44,753	585	556	513	476	33.3	29.7	125	140	April 5	11,485
June	n.y.a.	23.3	11,246	10,385	50,418	44,355	562	550	487	487	31.2	29.7	134	144	May 31	10,738
1986-87—															June 28	14,698
July		30.7	12,087	10,348	54,154	43,292	521	481	537	509	34.5	27.7	172	155	Four weeks ended(?)	
															July 26	15,006

(a) Gross mine output. Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources, Geology and Geophysics (B.M.R.). (b) Metallic contents of mine products. Source: B.M.R. (c) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state. (e) Excludes lignite. (f) Tasmanian production period one week earlier.

PRODUCTION—continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) '000 sq m		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blanketing) '000 sq m		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufacturing division(a) (Base year 1968-69 = 100.0)		Whole milk intake by factories(b) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$ m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Total receipts tonnes	% of total received by brokers(c)	Original	Seas. adj.
1984-85—																
May	4,383	3,454	1,004	966	15,104	13,753	198	183	418.0	310	544	40,212	78.2			
June	3,317	2,926	802	922	14,506	12,878	165	178	420.8	279	545	25,988	76.0		r38,796	r38,908
1985-86—																
July	3,793	3,409	924	879	15,301	13,374	179	168	422.7	342	r497	55,086	81.6			
August	4,166	3,453	909	923	14,928	13,406	166	168	424.9	484	r483	76,595	80.7			
September	3,491	3,180	773	819	13,682	12,876	166	162	425.5	652	r492	106,724	81.3		r40,577	r40,355
October	3,338	3,245	860	709	16,445	14,226	195	168	426.1	787	r498	117,212	77.9			
November	3,638	3,322	1,019	819	15,597	14,215	187	189	428.4	742	r495	92,810	76.0			
December	2,248	2,974	630	790	11,820	14,001	168	190	431.1	678	r499	59,262	75.6		r41,384	r41,469
January	1,291	4,235	594	893	4,583	11,723	180	196	434.4	604	519	46,252	80.3			
February	3,404	3,764	1,042	921	13,850	14,259	187	197	437.1	462	r526	47,441	76.2			
March	3,286	3,116	979	1,013	14,635	14,417	189	203	434.4	411	r539	46,215	75.8	42,683	42,708	
April	3,192	3,288	r997	922	r13,723	13,910	211	202	431.8	312	r504	46,383	77.1			
May	4,299	3,332	r1,079	1,108	r14,143	13,212	191	185	p432.3	283	r495	37,209	78.7			
June	3,334	3,023	r913	1,051	r15,242	13,262	180	195	p435.0	r281	r505	32,449	78.2	p42,357	p42,487	
1986-87—																
July	3,665	3,194	1,107	1,035	14,421	12,498	201	185	n.y.a.	334	484	51,846	79.5			

(a) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (b) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (c) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (d) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.0.

FOREIGN TRADE

Month	Value of total exports (a) \$m	Value of total imports (a) \$m	Values at average 1979-80 prices \$m		Export price index All groups (Base year 1974-75 = 100)	Import price index All groups (Base year 1981-82 = 100.0)	Balance of Payments—current transactions \$m		Official reserve assets (b) \$m
			Exports f.o.b.	Imports f.o.b.			Balance on goods and services	Balance on current account	
			Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.					
1984-85—									
June	2,994	2,615	5,910	5,471	246	141.0	-314	-886	13,517
1985-86—									
July	2,708	3,221			241		-944	-1,487	12,499
August	2,105	3,072			238		-553	-1,008	12,774
September	2,491	2,805	6,044	5,636	237	141.8	-635	-1,098	12,505
October	2,592	3,133			235		-948	-1,646	12,775
November	2,870	2,844	5,828	5,855	238	146.6	-541	-1,014	12,636
December	2,601	2,844			238		-597	-1,129	12,216
January	3,125	3,273			234		-358	-961	12,133
February	2,613	2,625			235		-368	-864	12,925
March	2,613	2,684	6,204	5,527	232	p146.0	-489	-966	12,811
April	2,613	2,683			230		-789	-1,385	12,553
May	2,724	2,717			p228		-492	-1,097	12,504
June	2,647	2,736	5,673	5,317	p234	n.y.a.	-507	-1,058	13,024
1986-87—									
July	p2,599	p3,065			n.y.a.		-841	-1,539	13,439
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.			n.y.a.		-740	-1,235	12,686

(a) Non-merchandise trade is excluded from export and import statistics. (b) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

INTERNAL TRADE

Month	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. \$m		Food and drink \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture \$m		Other(b) \$m		New motor cars and station wagons registered '000		Other new motor vehicles registered(c) '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1984-85—												
June	3,809	4,140	5,943	6,106	3,953	3,987	2,000	2,138	42.1	41.6	15.6	14.6
1985-86—												
July	4,066	4,198							46.9	42.6	14.8	12.9
August	4,128	4,215							44.1	41.2	12.1	11.7
September	3,989	4,283	6,169	6,354	3,883	4,081	2,129	2,241	42.6	44.9	11.9	13.0
October	4,385	4,333							45.2	44.0	12.4	12.5
November	4,573	4,353							46.5	48.4	12.2	13.3
December	5,875	4,399	7,021	6,511	5,057	4,277	2,749	2,306	40.5	42.0	10.0	11.3
January	r4,276	r4,459							33.7	38.5	9.8	11.3
February	r3,903	r4,383							31.5	33.8	9.8	10.5
March	r4,163	r4,416	6,551	6,725	3,587	4,134	2,193	2,389	34.3	35.8	9.8	9.9
April	4,294	4,434							40.4	39.3	11.6	10.3
May	4,701	4,531							36.3	33.5	11.1	10.2
June	4,178	4,569	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	34.5	33.7	10.3	9.3
1986-87—												
July	4,477	4,589							37.0	33.3	11.8	10.4
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.							p37.4	p36.6	p10.7	p10.7

(a) Series based on 1979-80 Retail Census, excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Other: excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (c) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses.

WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Average weekly earnings of employees (£)		Average weekly ordinary time earnings, full-time adult persons (£)	Index of minimum award rates of pay, full-time adult persons June 1976 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee	Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities (Base of each Index: Year 1960-61 = 100.0 unless otherwise stated)								
	All males	All females		All groups		Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education(a)	
1964-65— May	397.20	263.40	362.80	208.2 208.2	1.23	141.1	137.4	132.0	145.4	142.1	149.7	154.6	125.8	122.5
1976-67— July				208.3										
August	403.10	265.80	367.90	208.3	1.18	144.2	139.9	133.6	148.7	145.0	152.9	159.0	128.5	125.9
September				208.3										
October	413.90	268.40	396.90	216.3	1.30	147.1	143.2	138.1	152.2	149.3	153.8	162.8	130.2	127.6
November				216.3										
December				216.3										
January				216.3										
February	422.70	276.40	404.20	216.3	1.25	150.5	146.1	139.8	155.0	152.1	159.8	167.5	133.5	131.2
March				216.3										
April				216.3										
May	425.50	278.20	409.20	216.3	1.23	153.0	149.4	145.4	157.8	154.3	156.4	171.0	139.6	133.4
June				216.3										
1986-67— July				221.2										

(a) Base of index series: March Quarter 1982 = 100.0.

BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month	Building approvals \$ m		Building approvals dwellings '000 units		Government building approved \$ m	Building commenced, total \$ m		Dwellings commenced '000 units		Price indexes(a)		New fixed capital expenditure by private enterprises (\$m)(b)			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Materials used in house building (Base year 1966-67 = 100.0)	Materials used in building other than house building (Base year 1970-80 = 100.0)	New buildings and structures		Other new capital equipment	
												Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1964-65—															
May	1,503.3	1,319.3	14.6	13.3	320.5					496.2	160.4				
June	1,423.8	1,409.6	13.3	13.3	193.2	4,176.1	4,065.6	39.2	38.3	498.8	161.1	1,128	1,096	3,608	3,254
1965-66—															
July	1,377.5	1,291.2	13.8	13.3	194.0					501.0	161.9				
August	1,623.4	1,534.1	14.1	13.3	433.5					505.0	163.0				
September	1,462.7	1,494.9	12.8	13.1	247.8	4,339.5	4,132.7	39.3	37.9	506.6	163.8	1,202	1,244	3,447	3,408
October	1,505.2	1,407.5	14.8	13.2	250.3					509.7	164.8				
November	1,552.1	1,470.7	12.7	12.4	252.5					512.3	166.3				
December	1,261.5	1,291.9	10.8	11.8	341.4	4,399.7	4,456.2	36.2	35.6	514.1	167.6	1,600	1,386	3,534	3,412
January	1,284.7	1,307.1	10.0	12.4	289.5					516.8	168.6				
February	1,086.9	1,244.9	10.0	10.9	181.4					519.3	170.0				
March	1,057.8	1,195.2	9.5	10.2	184.9	3,836.5	4,106.6	30.6	33.3	521.1	171.0	1,263	1,481	2,998	3,443
April	1,442.9	1,357.7	10.3	9.5	355.9					p523.7	p171.6				
May	1,365.2	1,243.2	10.5	9.7	324.6					p524.9	p172.5				
June	1,709.6	1,682.8	11.3	11.2	715.6	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p527.2	p173.6	p1,608	1,576	p3,633	3,324
1966-67—															
July	1,323.4	1,239.6	11.8	11.1	258.9					p528.7	p175.4				

(a) Weighted average six State capital cities. (b) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction.

FINANCE

Month	Savings banks— depositors' balances (a) £m		Major trading banks (b)				Housing finance for owner occupation secured commitments to individuals (c)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (e) per cent	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds £m
			Deposits £m		Advances £m		Permanent building societies lenders (d)				
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Banks £m				
1964-65—											
June	38,866	38,780	40,607	40,971	32,713	32,729	637	295	98	13.45	6,599
1965-66—											
July	38,619	39,040	42,098	42,235	33,771	33,685	811	324	110	13.35	4,737
August	39,132	39,298	42,175	42,641	33,809	34,037	723	279	114	14.45	5,099
September	39,105	39,313	42,894	42,870	33,912	34,024	702	243	105	14.30	4,325
October	39,414	39,705	42,842	42,893	(1)37,255	(1)36,754	727	266	117	15.05	4,399
November	39,279	39,646	43,239	43,155	37,960	37,866	620	260	119	15.55	5,655
December	39,710	39,281	44,055	43,772	38,944	38,842	545	209	96	15.65	5,609
January	39,104	38,598	43,660	43,402	38,469	38,739	545	150	100	14.65	5,738
February	39,728	38,799	43,800	43,976	38,970	39,705	521	156	101	14.15	5,631
March	39,316	38,940	44,549	44,389	39,823	40,107	481	151	99	13.30	5,007
April	40,354	41,105	45,521	45,093	41,781	41,266	706	173	97	12.65	9,255
May	40,634	41,000	44,748	45,011	41,038	40,639	734	141	100	12.70	7,276
June	42,682	42,585	44,347	44,698	41,024	41,035	699	125	85	12.80	6,343
1966-67—											
July	43,472	43,957	44,261	44,410	41,827	41,724	839	157	84	14.50	n.y.a.
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	43,736	44,249	41,956	42,245	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	15.10	n.y.a.

(a) Excludes overseas territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Excludes loans for alterations and additions. (d) Includes terminating building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (e) This series is based on non-convertible bonds. (f) Break in series due to inclusion of certain foreign currency assets and liabilities not previously reported. For further information see *Major Trading Banks, Australia* (2013.0).

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

(Rs.)

Quarter	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Final consumption expenditure				Gross fixed capital expenditure			
							Private		Government		Private		Public	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES														
1984-85—														
March	50,231	52,808	1,690	2,339	48,541	30,625	30,803	31,952	8,299	8,890	7,566	7,464	3,594	4,153
June	53,290	54,937	1,257	2,353	52,033	32,248	32,681	33,158	9,681	9,280	9,358	8,843	5,415	4,416
1985-86—														
September	55,992	56,948	1,495	2,179	54,497	33,423	33,775	34,017	8,992	9,307	9,414	9,501	4,147	4,623
December	62,587	57,299	4,335	2,160	58,052	35,158	36,932	34,889	10,156	9,614	9,810	9,275	4,849	4,807
March	55,861	58,895	1,508	2,226	54,353	31,822	34,138	35,449	9,284	9,938	8,622	9,560	4,061	4,699
June	57,606	59,266	1,094	2,101	56,512	32,621	35,781	36,307	10,898	10,451	9,488	8,959	5,723	4,685
AT AVERAGE 1979-80 PRICES														
1984-85—														
March	32,237	34,112	1,612	2,216	30,625	31,896	19,965	20,765	5,282	5,605	4,954	5,542	2,230	2,577
June	33,659	35,017	1,411	2,226	32,248	32,791	20,704	20,984	6,064	5,808	5,964	5,620	3,247	2,648
1985-86—														
September	34,981	35,536	1,558	2,056	33,423	33,480	20,949	21,130	5,472	5,658	5,781	5,834	2,403	2,680
December	39,890	35,403	3,932	2,116	35,158	33,287	22,553	21,246	6,124	5,851	5,816	5,515	2,764	2,741
March	33,375	35,413	1,533	2,187	31,822	33,226	20,194	21,030	5,444	5,773	4,996	5,600	2,244	2,597
June	33,979	35,277	1,358	2,102	32,621	33,175	20,855	21,134	6,442	6,175	5,401	5,091	3,176	2,599

AT CURRENT PRICES—continued

Quarter	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm units—corporated enterprises		Other household income		Less direct taxes, etc. (a)		Household disposable income	
					Companies		Other											
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1984-85—																		
March	9,137	9,534	8,113	8,372	5,917	6,600	11,542	12,634	26,204	27,261	411	16,109	6,874	35,245				
June	10,805	10,769	10,000	9,741	6,531	6,669	11,187	13,003	28,440	28,351	-10	19,576	7,443	35,478				
1985-86—																		
September	11,884	11,228	9,752	9,724	7,712	7,634	13,093	13,340	28,267	28,750	136	18,126	7,254	38,915				
December	11,572	11,792	9,486	9,563	7,592	6,822	16,782	13,585	31,208	29,724	3,049	20,742	7,434	47,421				
March	10,935	11,455	9,720	9,981	6,254	6,964	13,082	14,291	29,352	30,702	19	18,723	7,570	39,076				
June	10,954	10,918	9,166	8,935	6,629	6,755	12,813	14,647	31,230	31,135	-390	22,427	7,391	39,184				

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

**LABOUR FORCE SURVEY(a)
(PERSONS)**

**SURVEY
OF JOB
VACANCIES
(b)**

Month	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Unemployment rate-per cent		Participation rate-per cent		Number of job vacancies ('000)
	Full-time workers		Total		Looking for full-time work		Total		Original	Sess. adj.	Original	Sess. adj.	
	Original	Sess. adj.	Original	Sess. adj.	Original	Sess. adj.	Original	Sess. adj.					
1985—													
May	5,426.8	5,437.4	6,673.2	6,668.7	499.1	501.3	602.1	599.3	8.3	8.2	61.0	60.9	56.6
June	5,421.7	5,442.7	6,670.1	6,676.6	507.0	521.2	600.5	616.0	8.3	8.4	60.9	61.1	
July	5,472.1	5,459.9	6,715.9	6,702.1	499.1	558.9	593.0	593.0	7.7	8.1	61.0	61.0	
August	5,439.2	5,494.9	6,698.3	6,736.8	484.2	499.7	567.6	594.9	7.8	8.1	60.6	61.2	52.4
September	5,547.7	5,515.4	6,817.8	6,770.6	479.5	491.5	583.0	586.3	7.9	8.0	61.7	61.3	
October	5,496.6	5,501.0	6,782.9	6,762.3	440.5	477.9	528.4	569.9	7.2	7.8	60.8	61.0	
November	5,562.4	5,564.5	6,890.5	6,848.5	439.5	475.8	537.0	582.9	7.2	7.8	61.7	61.7	51.8
December	5,638.9	5,571.7	6,918.9	6,846.0	479.7	468.8	583.9	569.2	7.8	7.7	62.2	61.5	
1986—													
January	5,603.6	5,621.4	6,762.1	6,910.5	523.7	474.2	615.0	575.7	8.3	7.7	61.1	62.0	
February	5,638.8	5,634.0	6,870.1	6,899.9	544.5	487.8	638.5	596.1	8.7	8.0	62.2	61.9	59.0
March	5,638.5	5,618.8	6,961.4	6,917.6	501.6	475.2	634.6	590.3	8.4	7.9	62.7	61.9	
April	5,620.1	5,645.4	6,962.1	6,978.3	481.1	485.3	606.9	600.8	8.0	7.9	62.3	62.4	
May	5,615.8	5,627.5	6,944.5	6,939.8	483.3	485.8	592.2	589.5	7.9	7.8	62.0	61.9	54.4
June	5,634.9	5,656.9	6,972.7	6,978.8	457.0	469.6	561.9	575.9	7.5	7.6	61.9	62.0	
July	5,631.2	5,617.7	6,938.4	6,943.1	490.9	520.9	594.2	632.5	7.9	8.3	61.9	62.1	

(a) Estimates derived from the labour force survey part of monthly population survey, which is based on a sample of dwellings and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. For further information see *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). (b) Estimates derived from a survey of private sector employers and government agencies. For further information see *Job Vacancies, Australia* (6231.0).

**EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, STATES AND TERRITORIES(a)
(PERSONS ('000))**

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Private	Australia					Total
										Common-wealth	Government				
											State(s)	Local	Total		
1983—															
January	1,818.3	1,413.3	760.3	443.1	456.6	139.3	48.9	108.1	3,568.6	427.3	1,042.5	149.6	1,619.4	5,188.0	
February	1,847.5	1,444.7	777.1	448.8	464.6	142.1	49.0	109.3	3,626.2	429.0	1,077.0	152.0	1,657.9	5,284.1	
March	1,855.7	1,458.8	780.9	455.3	471.3	144.8	50.3	111.7	3,639.8	431.8	1,104.5	152.8	1,689.1	5,328.9	
April	1,863.8	1,466.2	787.7	459.0	477.7	145.4	52.1	112.6	3,663.0	432.6	1,116.1	152.9	1,701.6	5,364.7	
May	1,850.9	1,465.2	797.3	462.1	479.3	145.8	53.2	113.3	3,675.8	484.4	1,102.9	153.8	1,691.1	5,367.0	
June	1,865.4	1,470.2	796.4	462.7	479.0	141.9	52.6	113.5	3,669.2	434.3	1,123.6	154.7	1,712.5	5,381.8	
July	1,853.0	1,479.0	786.1	466.6	477.8	141.7	53.8	111.7	3,651.2	429.8	1,134.0	154.8	1,718.6	5,369.7	
August	1,854.7	1,485.6	790.9	467.3	481.2	141.9	54.1	111.6	3,671.5	429.9	1,130.4	155.8	1,716.0	5,387.5	
September	1,850.1	1,489.5	794.2	465.9	482.7	142.8	54.9	111.5	3,678.0	429.9	1,127.7	155.9	1,713.4	5,391.5	
October	1,897.4	1,503.1	800.3	466.2	493.7	145.1	56.3	112.9	3,757.2	431.1	1,131.0	155.7	1,717.8	5,475.1	
November	1,915.2	1,516.4	805.4	468.4	495.6	146.7	56.4	113.8	3,796.5	432.3	1,133.3	155.9	1,721.5	5,517.9	
December	1,913.7	1,518.4	798.9	466.3	496.3	146.7	54.3	114.2	3,803.9	432.9	1,119.1	154.9	1,706.9	5,510.8	
1986—															
January	1,871.8	1,521.0	792.4	458.0	490.4	140.7	52.8	112.2	3,781.9	431.6	1,074.3	151.7	1,657.6	5,439.4	
February	1,914.7	1,548.1	807.3	468.6	503.7	143.4	55.4	114.9	3,852.9	434.1	1,113.6	155.5	1,703.2	5,556.1	
March	1,923.5	1,556.2	807.6	469.9	505.9	143.8	55.6	116.6	3,854.7	434.2	1,136.4	155.9	1,726.5	5,581.2	

(a) Results of sample survey of approximately 20,000 private employers selected from the ABS register of businesses. Data from all Government Employers is collected. For further details see *Employed Wage and Salary Earners Australia* (6204.0) and *Information Paper: New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime* (6256.0). Excludes wage and salary earners in the private sector employed in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, mining, private households and members of the permanent defence forces. (b) Includes the Northern Territory Government.

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